

## Health News Release

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## King County dentist suspended for not following sterilization guidelines

**OLYMPIA** — The Dental Commission has immediately suspended the license of a Renton dentist based on charges that he was not following sterilization and infection control guidelines.

The statement of charges allege that Kin So (DE00005103) did not provide adequate protective barriers, consistently complete spore testing, or properly maintain cleaning solutions. Charges also state that So was terminated from his insurance contract for non-compliance with sterilization and infection control guidelines.

So cannot practice dentistry in Washington until these charges are resolved. He has 20 days to ask for a hearing to contest these charges.

The documents in this case can be seen online by clicking "Look up a health care provider" on the <u>Department of Health website</u>. Copies can be requested by calling 360-236-4700. That number can also be used to file complaints against health care providers in Washington.

The Dental Quality Assurance Commission protects public health and safety and promotes the welfare of the state by regulating the competency and quality of health care providers under its authority.

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